

Berlin Reports Violent Fight Precedes Destruction

Scharnhorst Battle Lasts 8 Hours

Ill Health Forces Leader to Take Long Rest

Gen. McNaughton Resigns Command of Canadian Army Overseas

Gen. Stuart Is Appointed Acting Chief

By ROSS MUNRO
SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND, Dec. 27.—(CP)—After commanding the Canadian forces in Britain for more than four years, Lt.-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton has been forced by ill health to take a long rest which will prevent him from leading the Canadians in the invasion of western Europe.

Until a successor is appointed, Lt.-Gen. Kenneth Stuart, 45, chief of the Canadian general staff in Ottawa, will be acting army commander and will take over Gen. McNaughton's responsibilities. Gen. Stuart also is assuming the new permanent post of chief of staff at Canadian military headquarters in London, while Maj.-Gen. P. J. Montague continues as administrator in charge of administration at C.M.A.H.Q.

During the last four years Gen. McNaughton, who is 56, shouldered immense responsibilities in directing, training, equipping and building up the Canadian overseas forces and it has been a tremendous strain on him.

HEALTH NOT ROBUST
For the last two years his health has not been exceptionally robust and several times he suffered severe colds. Recently he was ill.

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Tells Newsmen

Gen. Eisenhower Sees European Victory in 1944

By C. R. CUNNINGHAM
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ALGIERS, Dec. 27.—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, newly-appointed commander of the Allied armies massing for invasion of western Europe, declared confidently today that "we will win the European war in 1944."

It was in effect a pledge to do his job within a year that Eisenhower gave the British and American correspondents a farewell press conference preparatory to his departure for Britain to take over his new post.

Eisenhower's soberly assured words startled the correspondents after one of them asked the departing commander-in-chief of the Mediterranean theatre for a new 39th prediction.

"We will win the European war in 1944," he answered abruptly.

ALL MUST DO PART

After the conference, he authorized the additional question: "The only thing needed for us to win the European war is for every man and woman all the way from the front lines to the remotest hamlet of our two countries to do his or her full duty."

Smiling and unusually genial, Eisenhower gave quick answers to most of the questions, but pondered a few with his customary gestures of head-bobbing and leaning forward with clasped fists, finally to pound home his points.

He apologized for being a few minutes late, then praised the conference on Dec. 2, Col. 7.

JAP DESTROYER, 2 CARGO SHIPS SUNK BY PLANES

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, New Guinea, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Planes from a United States carrier have sunk one enemy destroyer and two large cargo vessels in an attack on a convoy off Kavieng, New Ireland, it was announced today.

The attack on the convoy, made by planes from Admiral William F. Halsey's carrier command, also damaged another destroyer and a patrol boat, and sank three enemy barges.

Senator Dies

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—(CP)—Senator Creelman MacArthur, 69, Liberal member of the Upper House for Prince Edward Island, died today at Summerside, P.E.I., it was learned today at the office of Prime Minister Mackenzie King.

Not Forgotten Fund Brings Joy and Happiness to Soldier Patients at University Hospital



—Photos by Alfred Blyth Studios

Stirring Scenes

Not Forgotten Fund Brings Joy, Happiness To Gallant Wounded Soldiers

Through the kindness, thoughtfulness, generosity and timely contributions to The Not Forgotten Fund of readers of The Edmonton Bulletin, soldier patients in the Military Ward of the University hospital enjoyed a Christmas Day reprieve with good cheer, and renewed assurance that a grateful people never will forget their sacrifices.

Each Christmas since the bugles rang true along the Western Front in 1918, the Not Forgotten Fund has provided the outstanding, memorable part of Christmas for the soldier patients in the Military Ward. Thousands of soldiers have benefited and derived pleasure and comfort from the fund, and each year there has been displayed an increasing appreciation of the fund and all that it stands for.

But it was the considered and expressed opinion of many who had observed the successive Christmas Days that none had exceeded this in generous, wholehearted appreciation of the gifts and of Bulletin readers who had made it possible.

It was a glad day at the hospital, one that will be remembered forever by those who took part.

Santa Claus arrived in his prize glory, and accompanied by newly-fallen snow and a brisk north wind. But the warmth of his personality, the gentility of his good wishes proved happiness, joy.

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Christmas Day, which was featured in this city by the annual distribution of The Not Forgotten Fund at the Military Ward of the University hospital, was attended by sights never-to-be-forgotten by those who attended. In the upper picture is shown a view of a section of the ward during the distribution of the fund in which assistance was given by the executives of the War Widows' Association. In this view are shown, left to right in the back row: James McDonald, in bed; R. L. Everett; George Corcoran; S. Wallace; Frank Oliver; Mrs. I. Hawkins; Mrs. Andrew Methven; Mrs. A. L. McKay; Nurse Dorothy Guild; the Rev. Dr. E. T. Scragg, minister of Wesley United Church; Mrs. A. G. Fairall (standing immediately in front of Dr. Scragg); Mrs. John McGinnis and Mrs. C. Taylor. In the lower right picture, left to right, are: Fred Hardy; H. M. Demchuk; R. Harkott; Jim Loyer; R. Baker; D. Ferguson; L. Keny; Frank Raymond. The nurses kneeling in front, left to right, are: Elsie Fairhead and Joan McLeod. In the lower left picture are Nurse Verna Bowen of Jasper and Sapper Paul Petrovsky, Royal Canadian Engineers. Miss Bowen has served for three years at the hospital. Sapper Petrovsky returned last May after service overseas. In the lower right picture, left to right, are: Frank Oliver, grandson of the late Hon. Frank Oliver, pioneer Edmontonian; Nurse Peggy Sissons and Richard Hickethier, who was one of General John J. Pershing's stout-hearted men in the Great War of 1914-1918. Mr. Hickethier was one of several of Uncle Sam's gallant soldiers who received shares in The Not Forgotten Fund. He served in the 117th S.P.D. Squadron, U.S.A.

1,300 U.S. Planes On Big Attack

LONDON, Dec. 27.—(CP)—More than 1,300 aircraft of the 8th U.S. Air Force were in the task force on a big attack.

which attacked special military installations in the Pas-de-Calais area of France Friday, army headquarters announced. This included the largest number of heavy bombers ever dispatched by the 8th Air Force.

Nazis Believe Invasion May Fall This Week

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Some Berlin military commentators, still guessing at the zero hour for the Allied invasion of western Europe, said today they believed the blow might fall this week, even before the turn of the new year.

Disputed to neutral Sweden from the German capital said this talk in Nazi military circles was based on the relentless hammering that German defences along the channel coast have been receiving.

Germany's loss of the battleship Scharnhorst in an engagement with the British home fleet was viewed here as a severe blow at the Nazi defence curtain.

216 Christmas Week-End Traffic Deaths in States

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Traffic accidents, with 216 fatalities, topped the somber parade of violent deaths for the Christmas week-end in the United States, extending from 6 p.m. Friday until last midnight.

The total for all violent deaths stood at 339, nine above the 330 recorded for the same week-end last year.

Royal Navy Traps, Sinks Battleship

By JAMES MCGILVER
Exclusive to The Edmonton Bulletin.
LONDON, Dec. 27.—Germany's last and most powerful battleship, the 26,000-ton Scharnhorst, went down under the combined fire of British battleships, cruisers and destroyers after a violent battle of more than eight hours in the foggy Barents Sea, the German DNB news agency disclosed today.

The enemy agency revealed that the Scharnhorst participated in the battle which ended in her destruction late yesterday by attacking an Allied convoy off the top of Norway.

The battleship attacked under cover of fog at 11 a.m. and in turn was engaged by British cruisers and destroyers escorting the convoy.

Some time later, British battleships reached the scene and added their big guns to the fire of the enemy escorts, DNB said.

DRIVEN INTO TRAP
As in the case of the big German battleship Bismarck, whose battle career ended off the French coast with British warships converging on her from all sides, the Scharnhorst was driven into a death trap and crushed by the fire of circling British men of war.

After several hours of heavy fighting, DNB said, the Scharnhorst was encircled. She sank about 7.30 p.m.

The German agency's account said the Scharnhorst was sunk only after her gunners had exhausted their ammunition and claimed heavy damage was inflicted.

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\$50,000 Loss

Three Rescued As LaFleche Block Burns

Three Edmonton women, trapped by smoke and flames, were carried to safety by firemen from the burning roof of the three-story LaFleche building, 1005 102 street, in a general alarm fire which swept through the structure early Sunday morning, causing damage unofficially estimated at \$50,000.

Sixty-five firemen from five battalions battled the blaze for almost six hours before the flames were finally doused and the "all-clear" signal was given. It was estimated that at least 50 people in the building would be a total loss.

The three women, who had made their way to the roof of the building, were rescued from there by firemen. One of the women, Mrs. M. J. MacKenzie, was rescued by firemen. The other two women, Mrs. J. MacKenzie, manager, Art Engstrom, manager, their daughter, and Mrs. Engstrom, were rescued by firemen.

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BERLIN STILL BURNING FRODO

DEC. 21 RAID

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 27.—(AP)—A private Berlin dispatch to the Associated Press said the German capital still burned today from the Christmas Eve raid by the R.A.F. and R.C. A.F.

Two thousand bombs have been recovered, it said.

A million Berliners have recovered emergency rationing during the last three days, the dispatch continued.

Plans of Jutland Defences Believed Taken to England

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 27.—(AP)—The Free Danish press service said today that a Danish lieutenant named Perch who fled to England from Denmark by plane, was believed to have carried with him the plans of some of Germany's fortifications at Jutland.

Two of Perch's friends and his fiancée later were arrested by the Gestapo, the press service said.

Freyberg in Italy

ALGIERS, Dec. 27.—(CP)—Allied headquarters announced today that Lt.-Gen. Sir Bernard Freyberg, New Zealand commander-in-chief of the Victoria Cross, is in command of the New Zealand 2nd Division in Italy.

—On the Main Floor

Walker
1886



NEW YORK CITY—One of the newspaper girls who went with me last Friday afternoon to look at the housing conditions in Washington, asked me what the object was of my looking into the situation. Perhaps many of my readers may have the same question in mind. I would like to say here that, in general, I consider housing basic to the wellbeing of any community. Health, juvenile delinquency, adult crime, all these have their roots in bad housing conditions. Housing is no new interest of mine in the district of Columbia.

When I lived here 25 years ago Mrs. Archibald Hopkins interested me. Woodrow Wilson in the condition of Washington alley. The residents of that day were aroused to their first action by the sight of their senatorial laundry blowing in the wind of one of these typical alley backyards.

Mrs. Hopkins was still alive when I came back to Washington in 1932.

and one of the first things I did was to visit some of these alleys with her. Through the alley dwellers' authority, considerable constructive work has been done to eliminate bad places and increase decent housing, but it has never gone fast enough and there have always been bad spots in the nation's capital.

The war has aggravated this condition. To do everything about it will require not only the interest of the commissioners of the local district agencies, but the full cooperation of congress, which is fundamentally responsible for the government in the district of Columbia. However, even the congress, without an understanding of the part of the people who live in the district, will probably not achieve rapid enough results.

The war has created situations which are dangerous to health and moral standards. We must know about these conditions if we are to remedy them. Therefore, I have

decided to see with my own eyes just what they are and from time to time I shall tell you about them. These conditions exist in the capital of the United States and I think for that reason are of interest to the country as a whole. The capital belongs to every citizen of the United States. This is not, however, the only reason that I report to you through my column. I hope that you will realize that these conditions exist because of over-crowded centres throughout the nation. They exist in rural areas. The more you know about them, the more you will be aware of their implications if they are happening in your own home area.

Saturday and Sunday were family days in which, whenever we could, we made the president tell us about his trip. Franklin, Junior, was here also. We listened to his stories of his me, and their magnificent service.

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McCoy Health Service

Vitamin D—also called "The Sunshine Vitamin"—is the vitamin most familiar to the public, as it has been widely publicized both in articles and advertisements.

Vitamin D may be obtained in two different ways, that is, by food taken through the mouth or by exposing the unobscured skin to the ultra violet rays in sunlight. When sunshine is not available, a substitute treatment may be given with the ultra violet ray in a special generator. It is believed that the body manufactures vitamin D for itself following ultra violet treatment or exposure to the sun because ergosterol is present in the skin. Foods containing ergosterol can be made to contain vitamin D by being irradiated with ultra violet.

Vitamin D enables the body to use calcium and phosphorus in building strong bones and teeth, is essential for growth in children, and is apparently one of the vital factors in preserving well-being at all ages.

When there is an insufficiency of the vitamin such conditions as tooth decay, faulty formation of the jaw, and rickets will result. In the face of a mild lack during the growing period, the child may not develop rickets but may develop other symptoms. The bones may not form correctly and thus will be crowded the small jaw and crooked teeth which spoil the attractiveness of the mouth. The teeth will suffer, the enamel and dentine being thin and the teeth showing a tendency to early decay.

On the other hand, when plenty of calcium is supplied together with vitamin D during the growing period, the bones and teeth develop normally. The jaw bones are large enough to accommodate the teeth without crowding and the teeth are evenly placed and are strong and white. The enamel and dentine are thick and densely calcified.

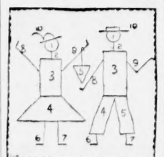
Vitamin D is present in egg yolk, liver, butter, salmon, herring, carotene, and summer milk. It is also present in irradiated foods or vitamin D fortified foods of which milk and bread are examples.

Some of the richest sources of vitamin D are cod liver oil, balmer oil, vitamin, herring liver oil, tuna liver oil, and so on.

I often hear the question from mothers as to whether infants and very young children need cod liver oil or some similarly rich vitamin D substance. When climatic conditions are such that it is possible to give the young child plenty of sunlight, cod liver oil may not be necessary, but for children living in cold climates where weather conditions preclude exposure to sunlight, the giving of cod liver oil seems to be highly beneficial.

All questions regarding health and diet will be answered. Large stamped, self-addressed envelope must be enclosed. Write on one side of paper only. Letters must not exceed 150 words. Address: McCoy Health Service, 75 McCoy Building, 1121 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

What To Do



I am planning to entertain six girls and six fellows at my home—between the ages of 16 and 18. I will appreciate any suggestion you can give me to help keep my guests entertained. The evening generally winds up with dancing. Thank You.

—MISS M. M. K.

ANSWER—Brother and sister is a fine game to get a party off with a good start. And here's how it is played: Each player attempts to draw a pair of those funny little matchstick figures of a man and a woman. He cannot draw certain lines, however, until he gets a certain number either by throwing dice, spinning a dial or drawing numbered markers from a box. Thus in order to draw the head he must pull a 1, a 2 for the neck, 3 for the body and so on. And often player draws a number that is useless to him.

Fourteen Persons Perish in Blaze

NEW YORK, Dec. 27. (AP)—Fourteen persons died and at least 20 others were injured Friday when a fire mushroomed through a "bunny type" lodging house known as the Standard hotel, a five-story structure, that straddled between 31st and 32nd avenues.

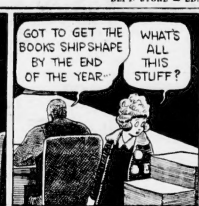
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Army's Victory Jamboree Will Be Gala Event

Everybody knows that there is a war on, but on New Year's Eve the war will be waged against gloom at the Victory Jamboree, designed to herald in the year of victory.

From the sounding of First Post shortly after 8:30 p.m. on New Year's eve, until the early hours of 1944, there will be no dull moments at the Prince of Wales armoury where the jamboree will be staged. Short intermissions between dance numbers, played by Joe Johnson, and augmented orchestra will be filled in with floor features for which the patrons will come in for a full share of prizes. For those who enjoy bingo, two bingo games will be operated while other games, designed solely for entertainment, will be under way at all times.

MISS 1944

At midnight the ceremony of ushering out the old year with Father Time officiating, will be staged. Four-year-old Beverly Samuel, daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. S. Samuel, will make her appearance as Miss 1944. Beverly, loved by every soldier and soldierette in the Edmonton garrison, has long ago been adopted as karrison mascot.

Serpentines, paper hats and similar novelties will be distributed to herald the New Year, while the main floor, galleries and all available rooms will be decorated in accord with the season.

According to Sgt. Samuel, in charge of decorations, strings of colored lights will hang overhead. Four 1,000-watt floodlights will be turned on from the balconies, while a spotlight will also be in position for spotlight dances and other features.

Hunting in red, white, blue, green and yellow together with flags will hide every available inch of the massive brick walls of the armoury while a giant Christmas tree will be mounted on the orchestra platform, the public address system being hidden in the foliage.

LUNCH COUNTER

The gun park, normally used for housing field artillery, will be converted into a kitchen and lunch counter. Miniature ranges in the basement will be transformed into clockrooms.

Hot and powder rooms will be assigned for both men and women, waitresses being engaged to supervise these arrangements.

Master of ceremonies will be Lt. Syd Lancaster, while a corps of floor managers, under HSM Charles Laubman and including members of the brigade training staff will regulate the crowd on the dance floor. About 2,500 persons are expected.

While both members of the armed forces and civilians are requested to purchase tickets for the event, the advisory committee announced that provision is being made to give additional door or floor prizes if and when the original estimates are exceeded as the Jamboree is a non-profit making undertaking with all help, apart from such duties as cloakroom and parking lot attendants being donated by the administrative and training staffs of the 4th (Res.) Brigade Group and members of the various reserve units. Corps of communicators will take over the paid duties. Any profit shown after expenses have been paid will be devoted to servicemen's activities.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

An advisory committee which passes on all general policies and approves expenditures is made up of reserve unit officers commanding headed by Lt. Col. R. W. Hale, M.C., P.D., of the 2nd (R) Bn., The Royal Edmonton Regiment; Lt. Col. H. Pearson, M.C., of the 2nd (R) Bn., Edmonton Fusiliers; Maj. F. W. Kemp, 2nd (C) 2nd (R) Bn., Edmonton Fusiliers; Capt. T. W. Goodland, M.C., 4th (R) Arm'd Div. Troop; Cdr. R.C.A.S.C., Capt. Charles H. Garrett, No. 1 (R) Arm'd Div. Ordnance Workshop; Lt. G. Conquest, 2nd sds, (R) Field Battery, R.C.A.; Lt. E. Sacker, "E" Troop, Cavalry Signals and Capt. J. W. McGregor, 4th (R) Cavalry Clearing Station, R.C.A.M.C.

Actual details of the Jamboree are being worked out and put into effect by members of the administrative and training staffs of the 4th (Res.) Brigade Group, a general committee, headed by HSM Charles Laubman and comprising committee chairman, meeting daily to discuss ideas and put them into effect. Staff Sgt. R. W. Proctor serves as general secretary with LHM Tom Hunker, heading the music and entertainment committee. H.Q.M.S. Joe Walker in charge of refreshments and Sgt. S. Samuel, attending to decorations and allotment of floor space. CSM R. Williamson, D.C.M., is in charge of ticket sales. Others of the permanent staff assisting include: Maj. I. Norman, R. Northrup, R. Gray, I. Hopkins, E. Taylor, H. Howell, BSM Allanach, R.G.S.M. J. Payton, N. Sgts. R. Norouze, Benkie, G. Harris, Sgt. D. Crockett and Mr. Harold Wright of the War Services Council.

Tribute Is Paid To Darlan's Slayer

ALGHERS, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Many officials of Gen. Charles de Gaulle's cabinet and followers of his movement paid silent tribute yesterday at the tomb of the young university student who assassinated Marshal Darlan Dec. 24, 1942. A group of about 50 persons marked the anniversary of the execution of Eugene Bonnier de la Chapelle, who shot Darlan, by placing a wreath on his tomb and observing a minute's silence.

Chung and Eng Hunker, original slayers of the traitor, were buried by P. T. Barnum, were buried at Surrey, Surrey, North Carolina.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. George Givins, of London, Ontario, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Givins, to Mr. Givins, of London, Ontario.

Marriages

Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Allan, of Calgary, announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Allan, to Mr. Allan, of Calgary.

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Allies Battle Disease

Naples Closed to 5th Army As Typhus Fever Spreads

By RHELAN MORIN

NAPLES, Dec. 27.—(AP)—A 10-fold increase of typhus fever in Naples since October when the Allies occupied the city brought an order yesterday from Lt.-Gen. Mark W. Clark closing the city to all 5th Army troops except units based here.

At the same time army medical authorities and Allied military government health officers launched a campaign to check the disease.

The chief surgeon for the Allied 5th Army said not one British or American soldier so far has contracted the fever. But 250 cases have been registered so far among Italian civilians.

PLACED "OFF LIMITS"

The order said "until the effectiveness of the measures now operative and others contemplated for control of this disease in the Naples

area is demonstrated the city of Naples is placed "off limits" temporarily to 5th Army troops.

No person will be admitted to the Naples area except on urgent business, it was announced. In such cases special passes will be issued.

The mortality has been approximately 25 per cent among reported cases, staff officers said.

To combat the spread of the fever medical officers have organized "dusting squads" at railway stations, all army depots and all other places of public congregation where they provide medicated power cap-

B.C. Man Charged With Murder in Fatal Stabbing

OLIVER, B.C. Dec. 27.—(CP)—William Guet, 65, was held here last night on a charge of murder in connection with the fatal stabbing of his employee, Emilie J. Vandepitte, Christmas eve. Guet has been employed for years as a watchman at a hotel owned by Vandepitte. Vandepitte was stabbed with a long butcher knife during an argument, police said. It is expected an inquest will be held early this week. Oliver is about 100 miles east of Vancouver.

able to killing the fire that transmit the disease.

SERUM INSUFFICIENT

Officers said supplies of typhus serum are insufficient for the whole civilian population.

The chief factors in the rapid increase of cases since October are believed to be overcrowding as a result of the destruction of homes, apartments and hotels by bombing and by demolitions by the Germans as they were preparing to retreat, and damage to the city's sanitation system.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT



"My wife gave it to me for Christmas . . . I've got a rheumatic shoulder."

On Christmas Day

Nazis Use Flame-Throwers Against Canucks at Ortona

By WILLIAM STEWART

WITH THE CANADIANS IN ITALY, Dec. 25.—(CP)—(Delayed)—The Germans used flame-throwers for the first time against the Canadian 1st Division this Christmas Day in the fight for the Adriatic coastal town of Ortona but failed to stop western infantry who are winning the shattered town street by street.

Used previously on this front against other 8th Army units in the battle of the Sangro river, flame-throwers were no more successful against the Canadians.

One of the flame-throwers set up in a lane was put out of commission by anti-tank gunners who toppled the wall of a building beside it with their fire.

FIGHT ALL DAY

The Canadians, attacking an enemy position covering Ortona's western flank, fought all day in wet quills and were under heavy fire

from dawn until dusk but they managed to have a Christmas lunch. The Canadian commander, who toured the front, visited the wounded and received his senior officers. He told the troops in a special message that the fifth Christmas of war found the Canadians in Italy in "totally different and less pleasant circumstances than the last four."

"However, let us have no regrets," he added. "We are out to do a real job on our enemies and there will be no let-up in our efforts until

Holland's Queen Tells Her People Victory Nearing

LONDON, Dec. 27.—(CP)—Queen Wilhelmina told her people in occupied Holland in a Christmas broadcast Saturday night that "This is still a dark Christmas but through the oppressive darkness the light of a better future is beginning to show." "There are many signs of approaching victory," said the queen. "There will be one last struggle, then the brave, untiring fighters for liberty and justice will have beaten the enemy."

We have accomplished this. Then we'll be in a position to enjoy our post-war Christmas days to the full."

VICIOUS RESISTANCE

Some of the most vicious enemy resistance was put up against the Canadians dug-in on the vine-covered slopes to the west of the town breaching the enemy's only exit. These Canadians are largely being supplied by mules.

Because of the impossible flying weather, the Canadians were without air support during the day but British gunners appeared with big wheeled howitzers to lend support.

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—Electrical Section, Second Floor

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Spring filled mattress with box bases covered to match. Grand sleeping comfort and service built into every unit! Mattress has pre-built edge, ventilator sides, turning handles—sturdy tufting! Covered in strong cotton ticking, attractively patterned. Three approximate sizes—46", 40" and 33". TWO-PIECE UNIT.

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—Greeting Card Counter, Main Floor

Glove Clearance!

Clearance of Women's Gloves



Year-end clearance in women's cabretta (sheepskin), doeskin (sheepskin) and fabric gloves. The doeskin and fabrics are slightly counter soiled. Many novelty styles but in a broken assortment of colors and sizes. PAIR.

25c to \$2.50

—Gloves, Main Floor



"Sale-Exhibition" of Fine Paintings

Continues at EATON'S!

You'll be missing a real treat if you don't see this collection of pictures! Five outstanding Canadian artists are represented in the exhibition—and their paintings are a delight to the eye. Sizes are in keeping with small modern interiors—and subject matter leaves nothing to be desired! Drapery Section, Second Floor

Cheers for These Compacts!

Positively glamorous, these beauties in clear, transparent plastic with enchanting designs on top in bright, gay colors! Yes—you'll want one of these charming compacts—and we've both round and oblong shapes for your choice! See them Tuesday! . . . EACH. \$4.50 and \$5.00 Subject to Federal Retail Tax of 30¢. Jewelry, Main Floor

DRESS CLEARANCE!

Dozens of Bright Beauties—Budget-Priced!

Exciting array of charmers in fine rayon crepe—dresses you'll cheer for, their smart good looks as well as their thrifty low price! And right on the stroke of nine-thirty is the time to see the collection—while it's complete! Graceful one-piece styles have trims of braid and buttons to add to their attractiveness. Youthful two-pieces button down the back—and have pockets to catch your eye. Many show clever braid trims! And all have three quarter length sleeves. Colors of green, rust, blue, navy and black. Some of the two-pieces are in striking two-toned effects—black with red or green or turquoise—green with gold. Sizes 14 to 44. CLEARANCE PRICED, EACH.

\$4.95

—Dresses, Second Floor

YOUR NEW HAT IS HERE...

Clearing at Half Price!

Wonderful collection of hats—all in fine fur felts—and in the rich, glowing colors you love for Winter! Lots of smart black, too—and styles that are infinitely flattering. Some feature soft trims of fur—others are eye-delighting with wispy veil trims—still others have feathers to enhance their charm! See them all Tuesday—and choose yours then! . . . HALF PRICE. \$2.50 to \$2.97

—Millinery, Second Floor

Captivating Costume Jewelry!

Of course you adore costume jewelry—those bright, light hearted pieces that can lend irresistible charm to even the plainest frock! And here we have a wonderful array—glamor pins, brooches, necklaces and bracelets—in glowing plastics, in shining metals! . . . EACH. \$1.00 to \$1.95 The above pieces are subject to the Federal Retail Tax of 30%. —Costume Jewelry, Main Floor

Clearance of Linens

EXCITING SAVINGS FOR THRIFTY SHOPPERS!

Right at the stroke of nine-thirty—that's the time to see this grouping of linens! And just look at the array of pieces for your choice—GUEST TOWELS, CLOTHES, PILLOW CASES, MATS, LACE PIECES, and many others! Some are slightly counter soiled . . . EACH. 10c to \$2.63 —Linens, Main Floor

Handsome Chesterfield Suite

Two Beautiful Pieces For Your Living Room!

Here's a value you'll want to look into—especially if you're considering new furniture for your living room! This suite is particularly good looking—and wonderfully comfortable! Soundly constructed and upholstered in rich cotton tapestry—jewel-like colors of green, plum and gold. Other figured weaves for your choice, too! Chesterfield and matching chair make up the suite! TWO-PIECE SUITE \$149.00

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